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PV Productive People Coordinating Board Endorses System Building Requests



RECEIVES PHD — Jean Norris Scales, B.A., '51, associate professor of English at North Carolina Central University, Durham, received the Ph.D. degree in English at the May 11 commencement at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The title of her dissertation was "The Mind of Francis Jeffrey: An Analysis of His Rhetorical and Logical Techniques in His Literary Criticism." A teacher of English and Journalism at NCCU, she received the M.A. in Journalism from the University of Iowa in 1953 and the M.A. in English from the University of Michigan in 1959.



TOP ADMINISTRATOR — Tommie B. Williams, assistant principal at Arlington's Sam Houston High, has been nominated for Administrator of the Year for the state after having been chosen for that honor in The Arlington schools by the Classroom Teacher's Association.

Ms. Williams holds two PV degrees and has taught in Denison, Bryan and Wichita Falls. She and her husband Ted have two sons and three daughters.

At Sam Houston she also served as PTSA Scholarship Chairman, head of PTSA College Night, March of Dimes Chairman and has worked with several pageants for teenage girls.

The Coordinating Board endorsed 10 requests totaling \$39.2 million for projects at Texas A&M University, Prairie View A&M University and Texas A&M University at Galveston. The projects include a \$16.2 million engineering laboratory and office building, an \$8.4 million women's dormitory and a \$4.2 million meat science and technology center at Texas A&M. Also covered were a \$4.5 million dormitory at Galveston and a \$2.5 million agricultural research facility and a \$656,000 tennis complex at Prairie View.

"We were highly pleased with the reception and positive action by the Coordinating Board regarding our requests for new facilities," noted Chancellor Frank W. R. Hubert.

Dr. Hubert said facilities such as the agricultural research facility planned for Prairie View A&M will enable it to assume national and international leadership in goat milk programs, he added, and the new dormitory at Galveston will alleviate acute housing problems which have adversely affected enrollment expansion at the marine-oriented school.

Navy ROTC Selects New Battalion Staff

Midshipman Kelvin N. Dixon has been selected as the NROTC Battalion Commander for the 1980-81 school year. As Battalion Commander, Midn. Dixon will have the responsibility of leadership of more than 200 midshipmen.

Midshipman Dixon, the son of Mrs. Rosalie K. Dixon, is a native of Tampa, Florida and has one sister, Kelva. He attended Chamberlaid High

School where he was active in the Science Club, Math Club, band, basketball and track.

A mechanical Engineering major, he is active as a member of Pi Mu Epsilon, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Mego Omega Beta Scial Club, and many other organizations.

Prior to his selection as Battalion Commander, Midn. Dixon was an energetic



LOOKING GOOD — The PV campus is a more attractive place due to the likes of Jennifer Jones (top left), Darlene Williams, Meredith McNeely, Sharon Gamble and Krist Wickliff.

Registration for Fall Term Set Monday-Tuesday

The 1980-81 Academic Year began officially on August 25, with preliminary activities scheduled throughout the week. Students return to the campus over the weekend and registration were set for Monday and Tuesday, September 1-2.

Parents Day was held Sunday, August 31.

member of both the NROTC Color Guard and Drill team. During the spring semester, he served as Alpha One Platoon Commander. Midshipman Dixon plans to become a Naval Aviator and someday command a squadron.

The event featured presentations by the various departments from all colleges, a special assembly, lunches and a reception. Orientation activities also began for new students.

Enrollment of freshman students is expected to be above the figures for last September which was well over 1500. Upper class students are also returning but many completed early registration and are not expected until classes begin Wednesday.

The last day for changing programs of study is September 19 and late registration closes on September 15.

Over 300 Graduates Receive Degrees

by Frank White

Over 300 former Prairie View A&M students received degrees Sunday and were told that their leadership in an ever-changing America is practically inevitable.

The commencement speaker, Dr. Charles A. Le Maistre, president of the University of Texas System Cancer Center in Houston, told the graduates "there is no question in my mind that the graduates assembled here today have the

brainpower to provide the leadership needed for the storming days ahead."

He quoted John W. Hubert to say all people can be classified in one of three categories — those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who wonder what happened — and said "I truly believe you will be the ones who make things happen."

Le Maistre warned that if the graduates allowed their "well trained" minds to become idle,

America's leadership would be dependent upon its bulk of less qualified citizens.

He said he hopes Prairie View's and other's graduates join forces and thwart the efforts of those factions which undermine this nation's most cherished ideologies.

He told the graduates that if they consider the world's problem as being too vast or their roles as being too infinitesimal, they might remember that it was only in

1902 when a few persons laid the ground work for Communism, which he said now controls one-third of the earth's population and nearly one-half of the world's service.

Le Maistre, who was the chancellor of the UT System before taking on his present position in 1978, said Prairie View has had outstanding progress. He congratulated the "widely known faculty" for rigorously training the graduates' minds, and he lauded

President A. I. Thomas for having "gained the admiration of those who are honored to be his colleagues."

Following the message, President Thomas asked the graduates to make a commitment to professionalism and service to humanity. "Prairie View is not your campus, the world is your campus. I hope you will carry these lessons into the world," the president said.

He vehemently urged the graduates to be overachievers, and asked them to adhere to it.

Democratic concept that those who have help those who need.

Later in the program, the president presented distinguished service awards to retirees Mrs. Mary Clark, (Fort Worth) assistant professor of education and associate director, Office of Admissions, and Mr. Wilson Curtis, (Palacios, Texas) assistant professor of English.

President Thomas commended the newly commissioned officers who joined the ranks of over 1200 others

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AUGUST COMMENCEMENT-1980 — The over 300 graduates shown add up to around 1,000 who received degrees at the University in 1979-80.

SCHEDULED TO PERFORM IN NEW YORK — Dr. Danny Kelly, Associate Professor in the Department of Music, has been scheduled to perform in Carnegie Hall in New York City on September 28. Dr. Kelly is a 1969 graduate of Prairie View A&M.





SUMMER READING PROGRAM — Scenes pictured are from the AKA Sorority's Summer Reading Program.

AKA Sponsors Reading Program

The Zeta Gamma Omega Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, sponsored a Summer Reading Program for children in grades one through seven at the W. R. Banks Library, Prairie View A&M University, June 9 through July 30, 1980.

The objectives of the program were:

- 1) The development of good library use habits through demonstrations and practice, and
- 2) The improvement of the desire to read more for enrichment and enjoyment on the part of each child.

A total of 84 children participated in the activities and enrichment opportunities provided for them. The experiences included: reading

games, weekly story hour, films and filmstrips, tapes, records, art, puppet shows, puzzles, choral readings, plays, monologues, songs from different cultures, crafts, biographies of outstanding men, women and children. The experiences also included: Black History, exhibits, table setting, table manners, multi-cultural travel talks with slides, grooming demonstrations, and the discussion of compositions of renowned musicians.

Certificates and awards were presented to the children on the final day. Special awards were presented to Nikki Hawkins and Kecia Brown for having read 26 books each, chosen from the appropriate categories.

Two professional clowns from Houston, Texas, entertained the participants, parents, and friends. This proved to be the highlight of the occasion. Refreshments were served to the group.

The members of Zeta Gamma Omega wish to thank the community for its support in making the Summer Reading Program a success. Special thanks go to the following whose high professionalism and dedication insured the success of the project: Mr. Frank Francis, Head Librarian; Dr. Marion Henry, Director of the Learning Resource Center; Mrs. Norma Kluna, Secretary; Miss Phyllis Burns, Room Assistant; and the student workers of the W. R. Banks Library and the Learning Resource Center.

Again, thank you for the beautiful support you gave our Summer Reading Program. The Committee: Ruby B. Harden, Chairlady; Lonnelle T. Jones, Co-Chairlady; Libbie Brown; Lois Brown; Joyce Christopher; Irma Kendrick; Reva Powell; Marion Williams; Jimmizine Taylor; Lonnelle T. Jones, Reporter.

Business Dept. Head Honored

Dr. Dorisula W. Hawkins, Head of the Department of Office Administration and Business Education of the College of Business, recently received the proof of her biography at it will appear in the third edition of "Who's Who Among Black Americans, 1980-81." Dr. Hawkins was recommended for inclusion by Jarvis Christian College, Hawkins, Texas, her undergraduate Alma Mater.

She stated that she, "considers it an honor to have been nominated and selected for inclusion in such a prestigious publication." "Who's Who Among Black Americans" has been billed as "the most comprehensive reference book of biographies on prominent Black Americans." Nominees are selected on the basis of the following criteria: their personal background and experience, their position or title in education, industry, the professions, government, and other important areas of the community: personal achievement in business, athletics, politics, etc.

In addition to this honor, Dr. Hawkins was recently initiated into the Prairie View Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa, a professional educational fraternity. She has also been selected by District VI to be its representative to the Texas Business Education Association. In this capacity, she will serve as a member of the

Kappa Alpha Omega News

The Brothers of the Alpha Alpha Chapter of Kappa Alpha Omega Fraternity is sponsoring an essay contest entitled "What College Means To Me." The essay should be no more than 5 written pages and no less than two written pages. The contest is reserved for freshmen students. The essay should be turned in to the Alta Vista Building housing the Sociology and Social Work Department. All entries should be turned in by August 7, 1980. Each entry will be judged on form and content. The winner of the contest will receive \$25.00.

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MATHEMATICS BANQUET — Program participants are pictured during Annual Mathematics Department Banquet held in late July.

Prairie View High School Reunion Held August 8

by Craig Wood

Alumni and former students of Prairie View High School held a reunion on Saturday, August 2, 1980. Prairie View High School existed for fifty years from 1918 to 1968, before integration came and the existing facility became Waller Junior High School, and Prairie View Area students began attending Waller High School.

Activities at the Reunion included a midday picnic which was held at the Prairie View picnic grounds and a program and dance which was held at the Newman Center at Prairie View on Saturday night. There was a good turnout of former students, faculty and friends at all of the activities. There were representatives from each decade of the school's history present. Former principals in attendance were Nelson T. Archer from Atlanta, Georgia; who was the first principal from 1933 to the mid 40's, Mrs. Dorothy Burdine of Prairie View, Mrs. O. J. Thomas of Prairie View and Mr. H. T. Jones of Prairie View. Dr. H. E. Wright of Atlanta, Georgia, the second principal, did not attend due to illness.

Speakers at the Reunion program included all of the former principals who were present, former student Dr. Alfred Poindexter, Jr., who opened the program with a welcoming speech, Ada Tompkins Bennett, Glodene Bennett Bledsoe and Nancy Walker. The reunion was organized by Ada Tompkins Bennett, Glodene Bennett Bledsoe, Nancy Walker, Daisy Walker, Florene Jordan Muse, Charles Muse, Dorothy Anderson Butler, Walter Anderson, Marshall Brown, Lawrence Williams, Sgt. Jerry Labeth (U.S. Army), QMC Larry Standee (U.S. Navy), Mr. H. T. Jones and others.

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PV Seeks Nat'l Leadership In Dairy Goat Research

by Ed Walraven

A program designed to make Prairie View A&M University the national leader in dairy goat research should receive a major boost this fall with awarding of bids for a new complex expected to cost approximately \$2.7 million.

Dr. Frank Pinkerton, associate professor of agriculture at Prairie View A&M and director of the project, said construction of the dairy facility adjacent to the main campus, 40 miles northwest of Houston, will probably begin early next year.

When in high gear in another two years, the program may employ over a dozen professional researchers and graduate students. Up to 400 goats will be housed in the center at its prime, he explained.

The four major research and public service areas of the endeavor are nutrition, breeding, veterinary health care and "habitat," the housing and machinery that comprise a commercial dairy operation, said Pinkerton.

Another area of concern will be product development and marketing, he noted, because surveys of producers indicate they feel current marketing channels and procedures are the limiting factor to further expansion at this time.

"A dairy goat will produce about three quarts of milk a day, which is a good output for

an average family, so backyard-type operations are a little closer attuned to the actual needs of a family," Pinkerton said.

"But another problem right now is that most consumers prefer goats milk which is 'raw,' that is, unprocessed and unpasteurized. However, it is illegal to sell raw milk inside most large cities," he explained.

While Texas is the national leader and a world center for Angora goats and the mohair they produce, the state ranks second behind California in dairy goat breeding and production, Pinkerton said.

The premier dairy goat in Texas is the Nubian, often called the "Jersey of the goat breeds" because of its milk quality and distinct markings.

"When we're in operation, we will have more goats, more facilities and more equipment than any other Department of Agriculture-backed dairy goat research program in the United States," said Pinkerton.

One of the goals of the project — aided by the 10-acre, multi-million dollar center here — will be to generate and disseminate information on dairy goat research.

The program will provide demonstrations intended to show goat raisers, from commercial operators and breeders to backyard enthusiasts, the latest research and innovations.

Pinkerton said the project at Prairie View A&M, part of the Texas A&M University System, may also have international implications.

"We anticipate Prairie View A&M being able to offer on-the-job training to Agency for International Development-sponsored foreign students," he explained.

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Delta News

On July 28, 1980 some of the sorors of the Eta Beta Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated presented a workshop for freshmen ladies entitled "Delta" Tips on College Life. The purpose of this workshop was to give some insight on the different aspects of college life. Some of the topics discussed were: "Health and the facilities available in case of an emergency," by Soror Patricia Whitley. "Manner: and Good Grooming," soror: Marvel Warner and Kay Buffington. A third area, "Social Activities" was covered by sorors Shirley Deese and Andrea Webb. Academics, which should be the top priority of every student here at Prairie View was discussed by Soror Linda Johnson. Sorors Lovie Teague and Kathy Josey talked about personal relationships. And a preview of sororities and fraternities was discussed by sorors Alicia Hoffman and Sandra White.

The sorors of D.S.T. would like to thank all of the young ladies who came out and we sincerely hope that something we said or did will help you in your college life.

We would also like to express our appreciation to Mrs. Bowdry who is a representative of Fashion 220 Cosmetics for her help and our own sorors Theresa Johnson and Pamela Wilson from Jarvis Christian College for their support.

Have a good year!

Thank You,

Soror Alicia Hoffman



EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION — Leaders and participants are shown during the Early Childhood Education Workshop sponsored by the Colleges of Education and Home Economics.

Over 300 Receive Degrees

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whom Prairie View graduated.

The new officers were Rickey Fontenot, 2nd Lt. U.S. Army Reserve (Prairie View, Texas), Lee Langston, 2nd Lt., Quartermaster, U. S. Army Reserve (Tyler, Texas); Anthony T. Coleman, Ensign, U.S. Navy, Surface Warfare (San Antonio, Texas); Clarence L. Prevost, Ensign, U.S. Navy, Surface Warfare, (Port Arthur, Texas); and Gregory McDonald, 2nd Lt. U.S. Army Reserve (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania).

Sign in the window of a sporting goods store: "Fishin' spoken here."

GMAT ADMISSION DATE

GMAT, Graduate Management Admission Tests will be administered at approved Centers on these dates during the 1980-81 school year:

Saturday, October 25, 1980
Saturday, January 24, 1981
Saturday, March 21, 1981
Wednesday, July 15, 1981 (evening)

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7. Report any criminal acts observed to the Security Department; and
8. Report all accidents to the Security Department.

An article from the Security Department will appear in each issue of the Panther to keep everyone abreast of current Security Departmental Operations.

NOTICE

Effective September 1, 1980, Vehicle Registration and Traffic Violation Fees will be increased as shown below:

VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES

STUDENT RATES:

Fall Semester	\$15.00
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First Summer Term	10.00
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Short Courses of Institutes	5.00

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Alpha Kappa Alpha Boule

The Forty-ninth Boule of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., was held July 19-25, 1980, at the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta, Georgia. The theme for the occasion was: "INFLUENCING DECISIONS: A DESIGN FOR ACTION IN THE 80's."

The Zeta Gamma Omega members who attended the Boule from Prairie View were: Sorors Irma Kendrick (Basilus), Gwendolyn Jones, Frankie Ledbetter, Pearl Martin, Eula Richard, Pearl

Solomon, and Marion Williams.

Soror Jones was one of the recipients of a gold medallion for having been an Alpha Kappa Alpha soror for 50 years. She was honored at a special reception given in the Atlanta-Hilton Hotel. She was also honored as a special guest at the formal banquet held in the Georgia World Congress Center. Her husband, Mr. H. T. Jones, and a daughter, Mrs. Janet J. Hampton of Washington, D. C. accompanied her. The Sorors had a delightful and informative trip.

Lonnelle T. Jones, Reporter



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NAACP National Chairman Is Campus Visitor, Speaker

Ms. Margaret Bush-Wilson, Chairman of the Board of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is shown pictured during a news conference and at right.

The national leader spoke at locations on campus including an NAACP Conference on Minority Housing which was held at Prairie View.

Pictured during taping of radio show (above) are (L-R) Marshall Brown, Bennie Boone, Ms. Wilson, C. A. Wood and Frank White.



Faculty-Staff

Group Insurance Program

The Prairie View A&M University Group Insurance Program will undergo several changes on September 1, 1980. Basically, these changes are as follows:

- 1) an increase in the Universities \$35 monthly group insurance contribution to \$40.
- 2) a 15% decrease in Optional Life rates.
- 3) deletion of the Standard Plan's \$50 hospital deductible.
- 4) increasing the Comprehensive Benefit under the Standard and Economy Medical plans to begin 100% payment for covered expenses at \$2,500, rather than the current \$3,000 minimum.
- 5) removal of benefit limits for pre-existing medical conditions.
- 6) a change in survivor benefits under the Standard and Economy Plan to allow insured survivors of a deceased employee, who was not covered for five consecutive years immediately preceding death, to continue their medical coverage for a least one year provided they continue to meet the dependent eligibility criteria.
- 7) a slight increase in rates for employee coverage under the Standard and Economy Medical plans. Rates for dependent coverage under these plans will not increase.

Fortunately, the group's favorable claim experience and the University's self-administration of group insurance programs have kept the medical insurance premium much lower than premiums for comparable coverage at other state universities and state agencies. These same reasons permit the 15% rate decrease in the Optional Life Insurance program. Rates in the Required Life, Dependent Life, Long Term Disability and Accidental Death and Dismemberment plans will not change.

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College of Business Hears Lecture by Dr. Lal Chand Jain

On August 6, 1980, Dr. Lal Chand Jain, Assistant Professor for the College of Business, delivered a very enlightening, lecture on methods of Stress management. His lecture dealt mainly with the cause, effects and remedy for stress. Dr. Jain was well received by his audience.

Dr. Jain is highly qualified to instruct individuals in this activity as he is a native of India, a place where the inhabitants strive to perfect the art of mind and body control. Before coming to Texas, Dr. Jain served in an administrative capacity with the government of India for more than twenty years. He has studied and practiced Yoga, Transcendental Meditation for over 25 years.

During the course of the lecture Dr. Jain shared with us participants valuable information on stress management at home, at work, and even during periods of recreation. In some cases, all three of these conditions must be dealt with at the same time. Executives are primary targets for stress. They are in constant decision making and are responsible for the profitability of their organizations. When these responsibilities begin to induce stress or irritable behavior it is important for the individual to seek a conditioned release for the pressure being experienced.

Along with his very interesting lecture, Dr. Jain provided his audience with bibliography of reading materials which discuss stress management in one form or another. The students of the College of Business would like to thank Dr. Jain for sharing his knowledge of the subject with us, and look forward to other lectures on this subject.

Dr. Wyatt Reads

Paper at

Music Conference

Dr. Lucius R. Wyatt, associate Professor of Music, read the paper, "The Present Status and Future Needs of Black Concert and Recital Music," recently at Fisk University's National Conference on Black Music Research in Nashville, Tennessee. The paper was offered as part of a forum devoted to "Researching Black Music" chaired by Dr. Eileen Southern, Professor of Music at Harvard University.

The conference was attended by educators, performing artists and researchers from

many states throughout the United States. Dr. Wyatt's paper will be published in the Black Music Research Journal sponsored by Fisk University's Institute for Research in Black American Music.

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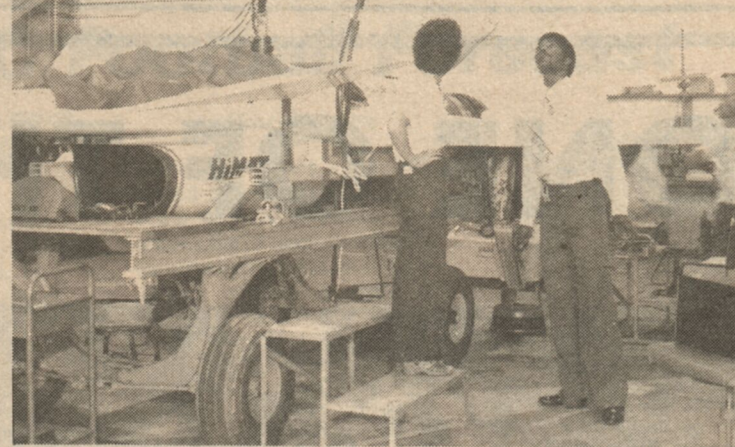
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Inonora Julian takes a break during her first summer co-oping at the John Deere Harvester Works in East Moline, Illinois.



Andre Clark, mechanical engineering major, checks clipboard figures as he assists in development, installation and evaluation of several devices to reduce emissions during the production of metallurgical coke at U. S. Steel's Clairton, Pennsylvania works.



A supervisor at NASA shows Eric Von Mitchell a feed line to HIMAT (Highly Maneuverable Aircraft Technology). The Prairie View A&M engineering student has worked on computer programs that display data for HIMAT.

PV's Cooperative Education Program

by Jack Weeks

Andre Clark, 22, adjusts his hard hat, walks across the spacious industry grounds, then stops in front of a maze of giant tubing and piping patchwork of steel. He glances at his clipboard and checks several devices planned to reduce emissions during the production of metallurgical coke.

Site: U. S. Steel Plant in Clairton, Pennsylvania.

Miles away, Jimmy James, 20, pours over mountains of figures and plans aimed at improving plumbing devices to be implemented in the country's water conservation effort.

Site: National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D.C.

At NASA, several young "engineers" are investigating the effects of dynamic pressure limits on the Return to Launch Site Entry of the Space Shuttle.

Although the young workers and a score of others are spread across the country helping to make better harvesting equipment at the John Deere Harvester Works in East Moline, Illinois or designing an improved version of a 50-year-old electrical pain reliever at Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing at St. Paul, Minnesota, they share a common bond.

They are all students at Prairie View A&M University who are taking advantage of the "Co-op" Cooperative Education is about as old a tool of learning as institutions themselves.

The harassed father looked at his monthly bills and commented: "My entire salary runs into five figures — my wife's and four daughters!"

Students in the days of Socrates visited ships of the artisans to gain first hand experience in their chosen field. . . blacksmith, cobblers, even government service.

But, it has been only in the last few years that colleges and universities and big business have "wed" to the common good cause of both.

Some universities have become fulltime cooperative education institutions whereby all students, no matter what the major endeavor might be, participate in the program. At Prairie View there is at least one and perhaps more, who would like to see this historically black university follow suit.

E. Earle Andrews is a short and slightly built man with electric energy. He is acting director of Career Education at the university.

"We have more than 230 students participating in the program, but unfortunately we have only about 30 actually working in many of the large companies offering their expertise," Andrews says.

"But most of the firms, businesses, and combines are seeking students majoring in engineering and other highly technical fields of endeavor. What we sorely need are places where our liberal arts students can get the same invaluable 'outside' education.

"I would like to see Prairie View make cooperative education a requirement for graduation because I think this type of learning institution is the one of the future," Andrews added. "But even with many of the giant firms in the program, recruiting companies which could serve the LA students would be a must before such a transition could take place."

Typical of the type of aid needed to expand the scope of co-op was cited by Andrews when he explained that one of his political science majors is working with the Federal Aviation Administration.

He feels that the co-oping between industry and schools not only is a giant tool in teaching, but is also extremely valuable to the teacher."

"I think this benefits industry by exposing its managers and supervisors to fresh, young minds with challenging ideas, and it's an excellent way for industry to keep up with the mood and thinking of today's college students.

"Let me give you an example" Andrews said, "of what a fresh young mind can do for industry. Brenton Miller sophomore at Prairie View A&M University working at 3M, designed a natural rubber pad for an electrical pain reliever which was the only major alteration in the company's product during its 50 years existence."

Miller has completed two co-op semesters at 3M and plans three more before he graduates with a degree in electrical engineering.

"It has been a great experience for me seeing how engineers work," Miller said. "I expected to end up in some dirty plant, checking gauges or something, but the program turned out to be much more and much better than I had expected."

Andrews opened another folder.

"Inonora Julian is a native of Prairie View, and is majoring in mechanical engineering. She is in her first work period at John Deere. She has operated a broach and drill press, and has welded and assembled, and there's much more to come."

Says the young student with a contagious smile:

"It is proving invaluable to me, and what I like is that I can choose any final work assignment, either a full work period or a portion thereof."

Eric Von Mitchell is one of five Prairie View A&M students participating in co-oping with NASA. He is currently working on computer programs that display data for HIMAT (Highly Maneuverable Aircraft Technology) after introductions to the aerodynamics of stability and flight control.

"I have also worked on different types of aircrafts, and their functions and their capabilities," says Mitchell. "There is just absolutely nothing that can replace on the job training, and that's what co-op is all about."

Andrews says Mitchell and the other Prairie View A&M students have worked on computer data that would "boggle the average student's mind in the classroom."

"But on the job, the student has a much clearer idea of what is going on because he is not only told but more importantly, students are shown. An axiom of advertising explains that first you tell the people, then show the people then tell them again.

That's close kin to cooperative education.

Other Prairie View A&M students at NASA are Orlando Barrett, a sophomore from Chicago; Douglas Buckner, a senior, LaDessa Moutra, junior and Guy King, senior, all of Houston, and Travis Webster, a sophomore from Prairie View, Texas.

Andrews says the cooperation of big business is "overwhelming" but there is still the need for recruiting in the liberal arts area. And, he

added, the majority of higher learning institutions are taking advantage of the program. NASA alone has students co-oping from more than 100 colleges and universities.

What does big business say about co-oping?

"I believe," Andrews says without hesitation, "that the people at John Deere just about say it all. In their student directory, it is written '... if anything that can be said to characterize the co-oping would be a maturity of

purpose and the ability to think and act for themselves."

In the same directory their own personnel is equated. . . "Past managers who have left the deepest imprint on our organization are those who were the most prolific in training new people."

Students may apply to the Cooperative Education program as soon as they enroll fulltime. Applicants must maintain a 2.0 grade point average and adhere to the basic university rules.



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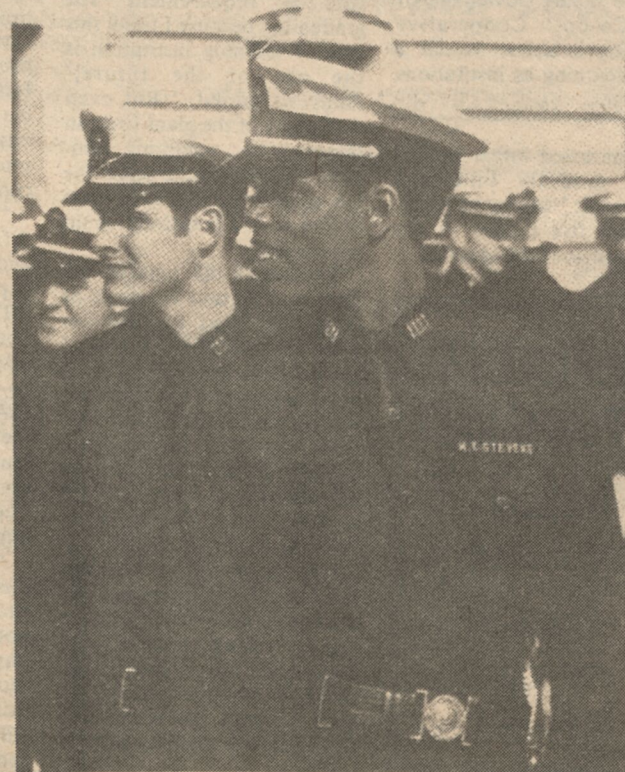


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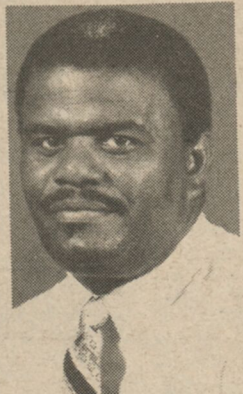
1980-81 Panther Coaching Staff



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Panthers Open Season Saturday

By Henry Hawkins

Football fans of Prairie View will surely need a program Saturday night when the Panthers open the season at 7:30 in San Antonio's Northside Stadium against Southwest Texas State. It'll not be so much to tell the players but to find out who the coaches are.

The lone coaching holdover from last years staff is Cornelius Cooper and he has moved up from offensive line coach to head coach.

"A coach is a coach whether he's the head coach or an assistant," Cooper said. But there is "much more responsibility" involved with being a head coach than an assistant, Cooper has quickly found out. "As an assistant I was only concerned with one phase, the offensive line, now I'm concerned with the total program, the total success of the team."

And while Cooper is worried about the total success of the team he has Doug Whitman, who spent last year worrying about defenses at Alabama State, doing the same as Panther defensive coordinator;

Johnny Williams, who had a successful high school coaching career in Florida worrying as offensive coordinator former Grambling and Houston Oiler performer Bob Atkins worrying about the defensive backs and Harry Gunner, former Southern University assistant coach, worrying about the Panther defensive line.

And Cooper? Well he's worried right now about Southwest Texas State, the first opponent for the Panthers. "Southwest Texas has a pretty solid defense that we will have to reckon with. They also lost some people out of the offensive backfield but still have a pretty solid running attack. Last year we made a lot of mistakes and Southwest Texas capitalized on them. If we make fewer mistakes this time it should be a lot closer."

Everything is not all new with the Panthers. There will be plenty old faces in the offensive line and secondary. Both of those units return almost intact.

Five seniors and a junior are expected to start in the

offensive line. The lone junior is Jesse Nelson, a 251-pounder from Chicago, Ill., who was in that same spot a year ago.

The anchor of the Panther offensive line is Harold Norfleet, a 285-pounder from Baytown, Tx. Nelson and Norfleet will be at the tackle positions with Dale Clark, a 229-pounder senior from Miami, Fla. and Sammie August, a 265-pounder from Houston, Tx. at guards and Gerald Davis, a 230-pounder senior from Houston at center.

Cooper said quarterback "is a tossup." Sophomore Maurice Mitchell, from Atlanta, Ga., has the inside track but he's being pushed by freshman Wilbert Meyers from New Orleans. Houston freshman Jeffrey Harvey isn't too far off the pace either and all three could see action Saturday night.

Whoever wins the signal calling job could be surrounded by an all sophomore backfield with Richard Johnson from Bonham, Tx; Byron Holmes, from Temple, Tx., and Michael Clark, from Atlanta, Ga. holding the upper hand at present. But pushing those are Michael Weatherspoon, from Pineland and Norman Briscoe, from Marshall, Tx.

Seniors Robert Alexander and Andrew Winzer give the secondary an experienced look as they prepare to start at safeties, "We have lots of experience in the secondary," Cooper said.

Alexander hails from Monticello, Fla., and Winzer is from Houston.

Another Houston senior Alvis Prince could well be the only senior starting in the defensive line. Juniors holding top positions are Julius Harrison, from Monticello, Fla. at defensive end; Milton Hall, from Eutaw, Ala. at nose

SWAC Football Forecast

by Henry Hawkins

SWAC COACHES PRE-SEASON ALL CONFERENCE OFFENSE

Pos. Player, School
QB Keith Taylor, Jackson
RB Robert Parham, Grambling
RB Larry Cowan, Jackson
TE Brian Williams, Southern
WR Jerry Gordon, Miss. Valley
OT Steve Chapman, Miss. Valley
OT Kevin Hardy, Jackson
Harold Norfleet, Prairie View
Ralph Williams, Southern
OG Jerald Franklin, Southern
OG Derek Perkins, Jackson
Dorsey Richard, Grambling
C Kevin Gray, Alcorn
PK Wilfredo Rosales, Alcorn

DEFENSE

Pos. Player, School
DE Willard Jackson, Alcorn
DE Arthur King, Grambling - Frank Thompson, Jackson
DT Mike Barker, Grambling
DT Larry Jackson, Texas South.
LB Larry Werts, Jackson
LB Tony Gibbs, Alcorn
LB James Hooper, Southern
DB Leslie Frazier, Alcorn
DB Robert Salter, Grambling
DB Lee Harris, Texas Southern
DB Dennis Dupree, Jackson
HB Hubert Owens, Miss. Valley
P Skippy Ezell, Grambling

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR:

Larry Werts, LB, Jackson

CO-OFFENSIVE PLAYERS OF THE YEAR:

Keith Taylor, Jackson and Robert Parham, Grambling

Harold Norfleet, 6-6 by 262-pound senior offensive tackle from Baytown, Texas, was among the 29 players picked by Southwestern Athletic Conference coaches as player to watch in the SWAC Coaches Pre-Season All Conference team.

The team was named after the seven coaches completed the second annual SWAC Press Tour with stops in Bossier City, Louisiana, Houston, Texas, Baton Rouge, Louisiana and Jackson, Mississippi.

The Panthers were also tabbed to finish dead last in the seven-team race in the pre-season coaches poll. Alcorn, co-champions with



Harold Norfleet

Grambling last year, was a narrow one-point choice to win the 1980 race. Grambling was second, Jackson third followed by Southern, Texas Southern, Mississippi Valley and Prairie View.

Jackson State and Grambling each had seven players picked on the pre-season All Conference team, Alcorn had five, Southern had four, Mississippi Valley had three, Texas Southern two and Prairie View one.

1980 Football Schedule

September		
6	Southwest Texas State Univ.	San Antonio, night
13	Open	
20	Jackson State University	Jackson, Ms.
27	Southern University	Baton Rouge, night
October		
4	Grambling State University	Dallas, night
11	Bishop College	Dallas, night
18	Texas Lutheran College	Prairie View, 1:30 p.m.
25	Open	
November		
1	Mississippi Valley State Univ.	Itta Bena, Ms., 1:30 p.m.
8	Univ. of Arkansas at Pine Bluff	Prairie View, 1:30 p.m.
15	Alcorn State University	Prairie View, 1:30 p.m.
22	Texas Southern University	Houston, night
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